Remarks

Attorney for applicant is appreciative of the thoroughness of the Examiner's February 24, 2006 Office Action. That Office Action indicated that claims 7-9 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 7 has been rewritten to include the limitations of base claim 1 and intervening claim 6. (Claim 8 depends from claim 7, and claim 8 depends from claim 9. Thus claims 7-9, as amended, include all of the limitation of claims 1 and 6.)

Further, the Office Action indicated certain amendment language for claim 1 that would in the Examiner's opinion seemingly overcome the current rejection of that claim. Claim 1 has been so amended. Claims 3, 6 and 10-20 depend from newly amended claim 1.

Allowance of claims 7-9 (as amended) and claims 1, 3, 6 and 10-20 (as amended) is earnestly solicited.

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